

Claim 16, line 1, delete "any one of claims 5 to 15" and substitute - - claim 5 - -

Claim 17, line 1, delete "any one of claims 5 to 16" and substitute - - claim 5 - -

Claims 18 and 19, line 1, delete "any one of claims 9 to 15" and substitute - - claim 9 - -

Cancel claim 21 without prejudice as not being in accordance with U.S. practice.

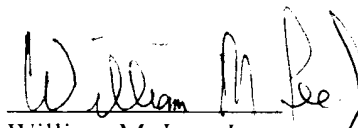
Remarks

The above amendments are being made in order to eliminate multiple dependency and improper multiple dependency, as well as an improper claim, before calculation of the application filing fee.

Examination of the application on its merits is awaited.

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